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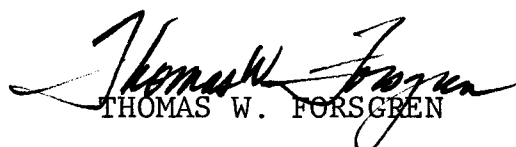
Mr. Donald C. Norseth
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State of Utah
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231 East 400 South
Salt Lake City, Utah 84111

Dear Mr. Norseth:

In connection with the petition for a State-appointed river commissioner on the San Rafael River and its tributaries, we are taking this opportunity to notify you that we are very supportive of such an appointment because of Utah Power & Light Company's substantial share ownership and interest in the Huntington-Cleveland Irrigation Company, Cottonwood Creek Consolidated Irrigation Company and the Ferron Canal & Reservoir Company, and Utah Power's contractual interest in the waters and administration of the Emery Water Conservancy District Joe's Valley Project. We further believe that such an appointment is warranted and, insofar as we are concerned, desirable because of Utah Power's downstream water applications and direct flow water right ownership, the very complicated, delicate, and interdependent nature of the streams, and the changes in use from agriculture to agriculture, municipal and industrial. We have no particular preference as to whether one or two commissioners are appointed to administer the stream and we will support the decision of your office in that regard. We take this opportunity to confirm that Utah Power & Light Company will pay its prorata share of the reasonable expenses incurred by the commissioner as assessed by the State Engineer.

We wish to cooperate with you in order to facilitate this appointment or appointments and the training of the necessary State personnel, and would appreciate your recommendations as to how we may so assist you.

Sincerely,


THOMAS W. FORSGREN

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